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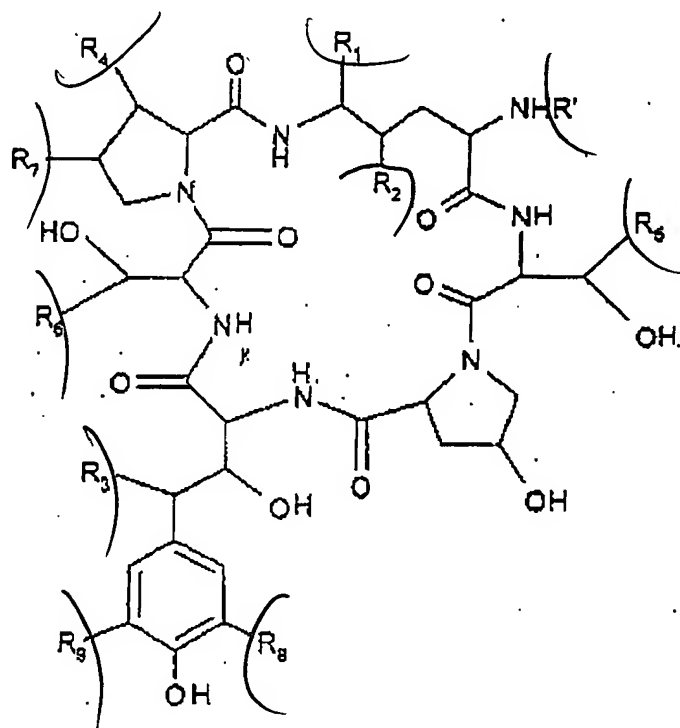
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Claim 1 (amended) A compound selected from the group consisting of a cyclohexapeptide compound of the formula



wherein,

R' is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₂₀ alkyl; C₆-C₂₀ alkenyl; C₆-C₂₀ alkoxyphenyl, phenyl, biphenyl, terphenyl, and naphthyl; C₁-C₁₂ alkylphenyl, C₆-C₁₂ alkenylphenyl, C₁-C₁₂ alkoxyphenyl; linoleoyl; palmitoyl; 12-methylmyristoyl; 10,12-dimethylmyristoyl; and COC₆H₄(p)OC₈H₁₇,

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R_1 and R_3 are independently selected from the group consisting of -OH; -CN; $-\text{CH}_2\text{NH}_2$; $-\text{N}_3$; aryl; substituted aryl; heterocyclyl and substituted heterocyclic with 1-3 of heteroatoms; aminoalkylamino; mono or di-substituted linear or cyclic aminoalkylamino; -OR, wherein, R is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_{12}$ alkyl; substituted alkyl of $(\text{CH}_2)_n\text{-X}$, where n is 1-5 and X is selected from the group consisting of Cl, Br, I, COOY, CN, NH_2 and heterocyclic, Y is selected from the group consisting of $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_6$ alkyl; $\text{C}_2\text{-C}_{12}$ -alkenyl; aryl; fused aryl; substituted aryl;

a heterocyclic containing 1-3 heteroatoms; mono or di-substituted aminoalkyl; and a hydroxy protecting group; and R_3 may additionally be imidazolyl;

R_2 and R_4 are independently -H or -OH;

R_5 is -H or $-\text{CH}_3$;

R_6 is selected from the group consisting of -H, $-\text{CH}_3$ and $-\text{CH}_2\text{CONH}_2$;

R_7 is selected from the group consisting of -H, $-\text{CH}_3$ and -OH;

R_8 and R_9 are independently -H or $-\text{CH}_2\text{-Sec.amine}$ in which the sec.amine is attached to $-\text{CH}_2$ through its N linkage; and its non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable salts.

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Claim 2 (amended) A compound of claim 1 wherein R₁ is -OH or OR, and R₂ is selected from the group consisting of -OH, -OR and imidazolyl wherein R in each case is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, substituted alkyl of -(CH₂)_n-X, where n is 1-5, X is selected from the group consisting of Cl, Br, I, COOY, CN, NH₂ and a heterocyclic, and Y is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₆ alkyl; -C₂-C₁₂-alkenyl; aryl; fused aryl; substituted aryl; a heteroaryl containing 1-3 heteroatoms; a heterocyclic containing 1-3 heteroatoms; a heterocyclic containing 1-3 heteroatoms; mono or di-substituted aminoalkyl; and a hydroxy protecting group.

Claim 3 (amended) A compound of claim 1 wherein Rⁱ is selected from the group consisting of linoleoyl, palmitoyl, 12-methylmyristoyl, 10, 12-dimethylmyristoyl and -COC₆H₄(p)OC₈H₁₇.

Claim 4 (amended) A compound of claim 1 wherein 1) ~~to~~ the nitrogen atom of the secondary amine are attached at least one member of the group consisting of C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, C₂-C₁₂ alkenyl, aryl, substituted aryl, alkylaryl and substituted alkylaryl, 2) or the nitrogen atom of the secondary amine is part of a heterocyclic group, optionally substituted by at least one member of the group consisting of C₁-C₆ alkyl, C₁-C₆ alkenyl, aryl, amino, nitro, and halogen, (or 3) a fused heterocyclic group, whereby the heterocyclic group contains 1-3 heteroatoms.

Claim 5 (amended) A compound of claim 1 wherein the secondary amine is selected from the group consisting of piperidine, pyrrolidine, 4-methylpiperidine, morpholine, dimethylamine, diisopropylamine, 4-piperidino-piperidine, piperazine, 1-methylpiperazine, 1-(2-fluorophenyl)piperazine, 1-(2-chlorophenyl)piperazine, 1-(2-pyrimidyl)piperazine, 1-(4-fluorophenyl)piperazine, N-(α,α,α -trifluoro-m-tolyl)piperazine, 1-phenylpiperazine, 1-benzylpiperazine, 1-(2-pyridyl)piperazine, 1-(4-pyridyl)piperazine, 1-(4-methylphenyl)piperazine, 1-(2,6-dimethylphenyl)piperazine, 1-(1-phenylethyl)piperazine, dibenzylamine, N-(tertbutyl)benzylamine and N-(isopropyl)-benzylamine.

Claim 6 (amended) A compound of claim 1, wherein R' is 12-methylmyristoyl, R₁ and R₂ are independently selected from the group consisting of -OH, -CN, -CH₂NH₂, -N₃, aryl, substituted aryl, heterocyclyl and substituted heterocyclyl having 1-3 heteroatoms, aminoalkylamino, and mono or di-substituted linear or cyclic aminoalkylamino, R₃ and R₇ are both -CH₃, R₆ is -H, and R₈ and R₉ are both -H.

Claim 7 (amended) An antifungal composition comprising a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of claim 1, and a non-toxic pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

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Claim 9 (amended) A process for the production of a compound of claim 1 comprising:

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- a) reacting a cyclohexapeptide compound of claim 1, wherein R_1 , R_2 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 and R_7 are as defined in claim 1, R_1 and R_3 are both -OH, and R_3 and R_6 are -H, with an alcohol in the presence of an acid in an aprotic solvent at a temperature of 0°C to 60° to obtain the corresponding cyclohexapeptide derivative of claim 1 wherein R_1 , R_2 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 and R_7 are as defined in claim 1, R_1 and R_3 are

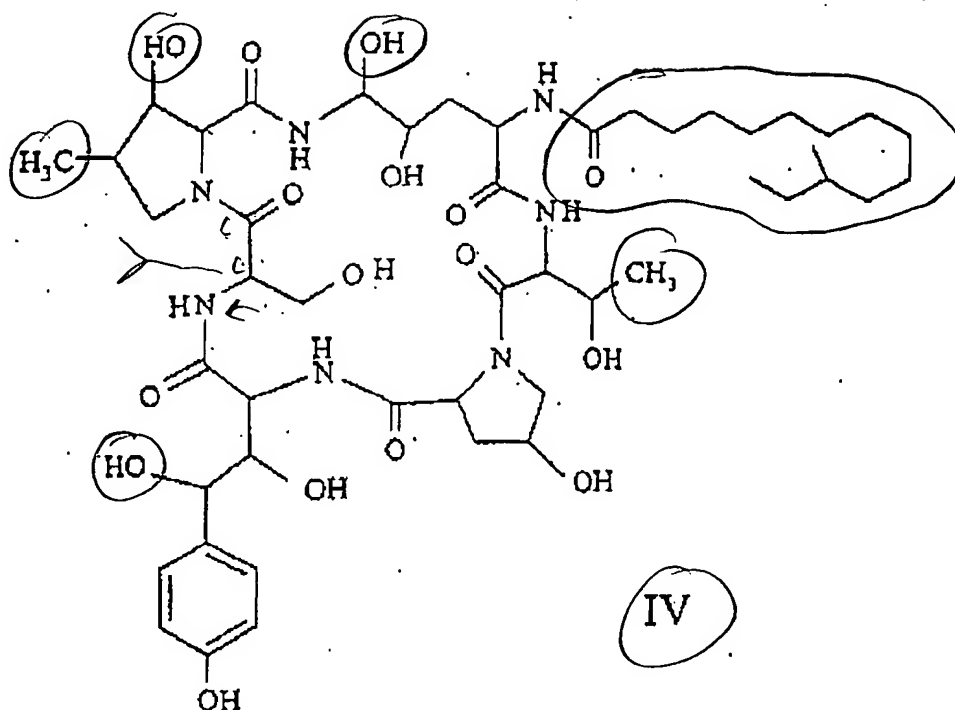
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independently -OH or -OR wherein at least one of R_1 or R_2 is -OR, R is selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_{12} alkyl, C_2-C_{12} alkyl, C_1-C_{12} alkenyl, fused aryl, substituted aryl, a heterocyclyl containing 1-3 heteroatoms, mono or di-substituted aminoalkyl, and a hydroxy protecting group, and R_3 and R_4 are -H;

- b) reacting the compound of step (a) with a secondary amine in the presence of paraformaldehyde in an aprotic solvent at a temperature of 60°C to 150°C to obtain the desired compound of formula I, isolating and purifying the resulting compound from the reaction mixture in a known manner and optionally converting the compound of formula I into its pharmaceutically acceptable salt in a known manner.

Claim 10 (amended) A process for the preparation of a cyclohexapeptide compound of claim 1 comprising:

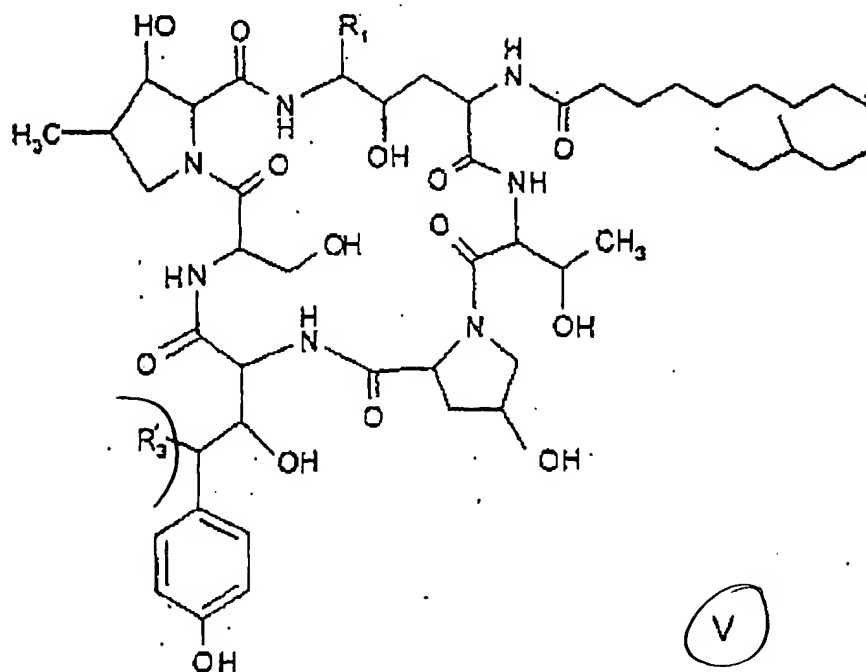
- a) reacting melundocandin of the formula



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with a nucleophile in the presence of an acid in an aprotic solvent at a temperature of 0°C to 60°C to obtain the corresponding cyclohexapeptide derivative of the formula

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wherein R_1 and R_2 are $-OH$ or $-SR$ with at least one of R_1 or R_2 is $-SR$, R is selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_{12} alkyl, substituted alkyl of $-(CH_2)_n-X$, wherein n is 1-5 and X is Cl , Br , I , $COOY$, CN , NH_2 , and a heterocyclic, Y is selected from the group consisting of C_1-C_6 alkyl; C_2-C_{12} alkenyl; aryl; fused aryl; substituted aryl; a heterocyclyl containing 1-3 heteroatoms; mono or di-substituted aminoalkyl; and a hydroxy protecting group;

- b) reacting the compound of step (a) with an oxidizing agent in an aqueous medium at a temperature of 20°C to 60°C to obtain the corresponding sulfones of formula V wherein R₁ and R₂ are -OH or -S(O₂)R, with at least one of R₁ or R₂ is -SO₂R, R is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, substituted alkyl of -(CH₂)_n-X, wherein n is 1-5 and X is selected from the group consisting of Cl, Br, I, COOY, CN, NH₂ and a heterocyclic, Y is selected from the group consisting of C₁-C₆ alkyl; C₁-C₁₂ alkenyl; aryl; fused aryl; substituted aryl; a heterocyclyl containing 1-3 heteroatoms; mono or di-substituted aminoalkyl; and a hydroxy protecting group;
- c) reacting the sulfone of step (b) with a nucleophile in a solvent at a temperature of 20°C to 60°C to obtain the desired compound of claim 1, isolating and purifying the resulting compound and optionally converting the compound of claim 1 into its pharmaceutically acceptable salt in a known manner.